

# **SC Annual School Report Card Summary**

**Keowee Elementary School** 

Oconee

Grades: PK-5 **Enrollment: 353** 

Principal: Michelle D. Craddock Superintendent: Dr. Mike Lucas **Board Chair: Andy Inabinet** 

#### **PERFORMANCE**

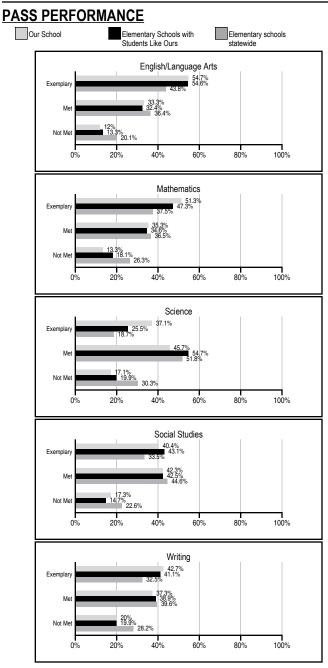
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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2013	Excellent	Excellent	TBD	TBD	Α	N/A
2012	Excellent	Excellent	Gold	Silver	Α	N/A
2011	Excellent	Excellent	Gold	N/A	Met	N/A

## **ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\***

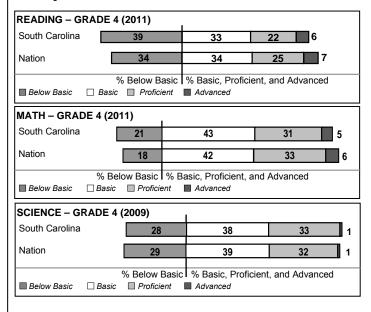
EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
39	18	3	1	0

<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2013. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.



#### **NAEP PERFORMANCE\***

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



#### **SC PERFORMANCE VISION**

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

# **Keowee Elementary School [Oconee] SCHOOL PROFILE**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=353)				
Retention rate	0.9%	No Change	0.8%	0.9%
Attendance rate	96.9%	Down from 97.1%	96.7%	96.3%
Served by gifted and talented program	12.3%	N/A	10.5%	7.2%
With disabilities	17.2%	N/A	11.3%	12.4%
Older than usual for grade	1.6%	N/A	1.4%	1.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=27)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	51.9%	Down from 62.1%	64.4%	62.5%
Continuing contract teachers	74.1%	Down from 86.2%	83.3%	83.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.1%	Up from 86.5%	89.7%	88.3%
Teacher attendance rate	93.8%	Up from 92.0%	95.3%	95.0%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,958	Up 0.2%	\$49,245	\$48,193
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	8.2 days	Up from 1.8 days	10.7 days	11.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	7.0	Up from 6.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.2 to 1	Up from 13.3 to 1	20.9 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.8%	Up from 88.5%	90.8%	90.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	95.4%	Down from 100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,975	Down 5.4%	\$7,001	\$7,364
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	68.0%	Up from 64.1%	69.0%	68.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	65.0%	Up from 61.6%	67.0%	66.0%
ESEA composite index score	98.0	Down from 99.0	92.3	88.0

<sup>\*</sup> Length of contract = 185+ days.

#### **EVALUATION RESULTS**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	26	42	30
Percent satisfied with learning environment	80.8%	95.2%	100%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	92.6%	90%	100%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100%	92.5%	96.7%

<sup>\*</sup>Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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### REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Keowee Elementary School, in the upstate of South Carolina, is a pre-Kindergarten-5th grade school that serves 375 students in a rural area of Oconee County. The mission of Keowee Elementary, in cooperation with home and community, is to challenge and enable every child to learn and grow academically, socially, and emotionally within a safe and nurturing environment. The school and community's commitment to this mission is evident in the smiling faces of the students and the numerous awards and recognitions received by the school, the faculty, the students, and the school's volunteers.

While maintaining its family-friendly atmosphere, the school strives to provide data-driven, differentiated and individualized instruction in order to insure success for all students. During the 2012-2013 school year, Keowee Elementary was proud to again be recognized as a SC Palmetto Gold Award winning school.

Throughout the year, students were honored for their participation in numerous state and local contests, to include: the Emergency Preparedness Tornado Poster Contest, First Lego League, Blue Ridge Arts Council Exhibition, Duke Energy Art Show, Walhalla Chapter DAR Essay Contest, Oconee Soil and Water Conservation Essay Contest, Memorial Day Essay Contest, Duke World of Energy Art Show, SDOC Math Madness Competition, SDOC Battle of the Books, SC Honors Choir, and Clemson University Tiger Relays.

During the school year, Keowee Elementary's teachers participated in professional development focusing on technology, effective classroom management, art instruction, writing, reading instructional strategies, and implementation of Common Core State Standards. Teachers continue using current computerized assessment information to plan for individualized instruction and to regularly assess student progress towards their year-end goals.

The achievements of Keowee Elementary students are a direct result of the commitment of faculty, staff, and community working together to provide a rich, relevant curriculum that incorporates the most current technology and research-based instructional methods.

Michelle Craddock, Principal Allen White, School Improvement Council Chairman

<sup>\*\*</sup> Prior year audited financial data available.